GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA

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Smuggling of Wildlife
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has recorded highest wildlife smuggling rackets as per the recent report published by Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB);
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the total number of arrests made for wildlife smuggling rackets by WCCB as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) & (b) As per information received from the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB), no report on wildlife smuggling rackets has been recently published by them.

(c)Information regarding arrest of wildlife smuggling rackets are not maintained/compiled by Wildlife Crime Control Bureau. However, the data regarding the total number of persons arrested during joint operations conducted by WCCB with other enforcement agencies during last two years and the current year are as below:

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 upto 31.12.2015
Total number of accused person arrested	64	53	88

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